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From: Commanding Officer, USS SARATOGA (CVA-60)
To: Chief of Naval Operations (OP-291-SH)

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1. The information in this report is submitted in accordance with reference (a), and covers the period from 1 January through 31 December 1964.

2. The Commanding Officers were as follows:

Captain John E. LACOUTURE, USN, 1 January through 1 October 1964.

Captain Jack M. JAMES, USN, 2 October through 31 December 1964.

3. The following were the principal ship's movements:

1 Jan - 20 Jan	MAYPORT
20 Jan - 13 Feb	SPRINGBOARD 64 off ROOSEVELT ROADS, P.R.
13 Feb - 17 Feb	MAYPORT
17 Feb - 20 Feb	Operations off MAYPORT
20 Feb - 23 Feb	MAYPORT
23 Feb - 28 Feb	Operations off Florida Coast
28 Feb - 17 Mar	MAYPORT
17 Mar - 28 Mar	ASWEX/STRIKEX 2-64 and operations off Florida Coast.
28 Mar - 1 Apr	MAYPORT
1 Apr - 2 Apr	Operations Off MAYPORT
2 Apr - 15 Apr	MAYPORT
15 Apr - 19 Apr	Operations off Florida Coast

19 Apr - 21 Apr	MAYPORT
21 Apr -	Reserve Officers Cruise off Mayport
22 Apr - 11 May	MAYPORT
11 May - 14 May	Enroute New York
14 May - 19 May	NEW YORK
19 May - 23 May	Enroute Mayport
23 May - 25 May	MAYPORT
25 May - 29 May	Operations Off Mayport
29 May - 2 Jun	MAYPORT
2 Jun - 5 Jun	Operations Off Mayport
5 Jun - 15 Jun	MAYPORT
15 Jun - 20 Jun	Operations Off Mayport
20 Jun - 27 Jun	MAYPORT
27 Jun - 28 Jun	Enroute Norfolk Naval Shipyard
28 Jun - 16 Sep	Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth, Va.
16 Sep - 21 Sep	Operations off Virginia and Florida Coast
21 Sep - 22 Sep	MAYPORT
22 Sep - 24 Sep	Operations off Virginia and Florida Coast
24 Sep - 19 Oct	Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth, Va.
19 Oct - 21 Oct	Enroute Mayport
21 Oct - 26 Oct	MAYPORT
26 Oct - 31 Oct	Carquals off Florida Coast
31 Oct - 2 Nov	MAYPORT
2 Nov - 7 Nov	Type training
7 Nov - 23 Nov	MAYPORT
23 Nov - 25 Nov	Type training

25 Nov - 28 Nov	MAYPORT
28 Nov - 1 Dec	Enroute Mediterranean via Roosevelt Roads
1 Dec - 4 Dec	Anchored off Roosevelt Roads, P.R.
4 Dec - 14 Dec	Enroute Mediterranean
14 Dec - 21 Dec	Deployed Mediterranean
21 Dec - 28 Dec	NAPLES, ITALY
28 Dec - 31 Dec	Air operations with 6th Fleet off Italian Coast
- 31 Dec	GENOA, ITALY

4. On 6 Aug 1964 SARATOGA was selected by COMNAVAIRLANT as having the outstanding Supply Department for attack carriers in the Atlantic Fleet.

<u>PERIOD</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>BRIEF SUMMARY</u>
20 Jan - 13 Feb	SPRINGBOARD 64	SARATOGA participated in Springboard 64, an AAW exercise in a realistic ECM environment including the use of CAP/SAM defense against drone aerial targets with actual missile and gun firing. Conducted in the Caribbean near Roosevelt Roads Puerto Rico, Springboard 64 was under the overall command of Commander Caribbean Sea Frontier, RADM H.H. CALDWELL. SARATOGA participated as part of Carrier Task Group 23.1. Details are set forth in COMCARIBSEAFRON OPORDER 10-64.
21 May -	Operation LONGHORN	On 21 May 1964, SARATOGA and CAW-7 participated in Operation Longhorn with the USS CORAL SEA (CVA-43) and CAW-15. In this exercise simulated air strikes were made on Dallas, Texas by the air wings from the SARATOGA operating in the Atlantic off Norfolk, Virginia, and the CORAL SEA operating in the Pacific off San Diego, California. Both air wings carried out their strikes in a well coordinated demonstration of the versatility and capability of aircraft carriers and their planes.


J.M. JAMES